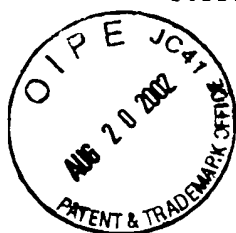


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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED AUGUST 5, 2002

This Reply is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on August 5, 2002 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner requires restriction to one of the following two groups of claims:

(I) claims 21-24 or (II) 1-20.

Applicants' representative hereby elects with traverse group II (claims 1-20 drawn to a device) for further prosecution on the merits.

Should there be any questions regarding this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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